# COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

# Worcester, ss.

To a Constable of the Town of Shrewsbury in the County of Worcester

# **GREETINGS:**

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of Shrewsbury qualified to vote in elections and town affairs, to meet at the several designated polling places in their respective precincts in said Shrewsbury, to wit:

Precinct 1 Richard D. Carney Municipal Office Building

100 Maple Avenue – Selectmen's Meeting Room

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Precinct 2 Richard D. Carney Municipal Office Building

100 Maple Avenue --- Conference Room B (Old

Selectmen's Meeting Room)

Precinct 3 Calvin Coolidge School

1 Florence Street

Precinct 4 Scandinavian Athletic Club

438 Lake Street

Precincts 5 and 10 Sewer and Water Department

209 South Street

Precinct 6 Shrewsbury Senior Center

98 Maple Avenue

Precincts 7 and 8 Spring Street School

123 Spring Street

Precinct 9 Fire Station #3

20 CenTech Boulevard

on Tuesday, the second day of May A.D., 2017, then and there to act upon the following:

To vote by ballot for the election of the following named Town Officers, to wit:

ted for three years

TWO School Committee Members to be elected for three years

ONE Shrewsbury Housing Authority Member to be elected for five

years

THREE Trustees of Public Library to be elected for three years

Representative Town Meeting Members for each precinct as follows:

PRECINCT 2 SEVEN to be elected for 3 years

TWO to be elected for 1 year to fill vacancies

PRECINCT 3 SIX to be elected for 3 years

PRECINCT 4 EIGHT to be elected for 3 years

PRECINCT 5 FIVE to be elected for 3 years

PRECINCT 6 SEVEN to be elected for 3 years

ONE to be elected for 2 years to fill vacancy

PRECINCT 7 ELEVEN to be elected for 3 years

TWO to be elected for 1 year to fill vacancies

PRECINCT 8 TEN to be elected for 3 years

PRECINCT 9 SEVEN to be elected for 3 years

PRECINCT 10 NINE to be elected for 3 years

The polls will open at seven o'clock ante meridian and close at eight o'clock post meridian, at each and all said precincts, and all of the above officers are to be voted for on one ballot.

You are further hereby directed to notify and warn the said inhabitants of the Town of Shrewsbury to meet at the Oak Middle School Auditorium located at 45 Oak Street, in said Shrewsbury on Monday, the fifteenth day of May, A.D., 2017 at seven o'clock post meridian, at

which time and place the following articles will be acted upon and determined exclusively by Town Meeting members, in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 553 of the Acts of 1953 and subject to the referendum provided for by section sixteen of said Act.

## ARTICLE 1

To see if the Town will vote to receive the reports of Town officers and committees and to act thereon.

# ARTICLE 2

To see if the Town will vote to choose the trustees of the Wright and Harlow Charitable Fund.

### ARTICLE 3

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Classification and Compensation Plan and the consolidated Personnel Bylaw.

# ARTICLE 4

To see if the Town will vote to amend the consolidated Personnel Bylaw in Section 7, Compensation Plan, to provide for on-call pay to be paid to supervisory personnel, or to take any other action in relation thereto.

# ARTICLE 5

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to pay the medical expenses of retired disabled police officers and firefighters.

# **ARTICLE 6**

To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money from available funds in the Treasury and appropriate said sum to various departmental appropriations for Fiscal Year 2017.

To see if the Town will vote to raise such sums of money by tax as may be deemed necessary to pay Town debts and charges and appropriate the same as they may see fit.

### **ARTICLE 8**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds in the Treasury a sum of money to operate the Municipal and Residential Solid Waste Collection, Processing and Disposal Services Enterprise, or to take any other action in relation thereto.

# **ARTICLE 9**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds in the Treasury such sums of money as may be deemed necessary to fund the costs associated with the adoption of an Omnibus Capital Budget for the fiscal period beginning July 1, 2017, or to take any other action in relation thereto.

# **ARTICLE 10**

To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money from the Sale of Cemetery Lots account to the Cemetery Department for the care, improvement, embellishment or enlargement of the Cemetery.

## **ARTICLE 11**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the necessary sum of money to pay departmental bills incurred in prior fiscal years.

# ARTICLE 12 (By Petition)

To see if the Town will vote to approve a resolution opposing the "West Boylston Lateral" natural gas transmission pipeline in the Town of Shrewsbury, or to take any other action in relation thereto.

# ARTICLE 13 (By Petition)

To see if the Town will vote to approve a resolution opposing the installation of an Artificial Turf field at Shrewsbury High School, or to take any other action in relation thereto.

# ARTICLE 14 (By Petition)

To see if the Town will vote to Amend the General By-Laws of the Town by DELETING Article 8B, the Plastic Bag Reduction By-Law (more appropriately known as the Plastic Bag Ban), in its ENTIRETY, or to take any other action in relation thereto.

# **ARTICLE 15**

To hear and act upon the report of the Board of Selectmen in laying out and making public the following streets, and to accept said streets as Town ways, in whole or in part, as shown on plans filed in the office of the Town Clerk, and authorize the Selectmen to acquire by deed or by eminent domain an easement therein for all the purposes of a Town way and all necessary easements;

STREET SUBDIVISION

Tuscan Place Tuscan Place

Hickory Bend Road Grand View

or to take any other action in relation thereto.

Victoria Circle

# **ARTICLE 16**

Victoria Circle

To see if the Town will vote to discontinue a portion of Cherry Street as a public way; provided and conditioned upon the Town retaining or obtaining by conveyance as easement for utility purposes in the discontinued portion of Cherry Street; and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to take any actions necessary to effect the purposes of this article, or take any other action in relation thereto.

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning By-Law of the Town of Shrewsbury relative to Section VII, Table II - Multi-Family MF-1, or to take any other action in relation thereto.

### **ARTICLE 18**

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning By-Law of the Town of Shrewsbury relative to Section II, Definitions, by defining the term Rear Lot and amending the definition of Lot, Frontage of:, or to take any other action in relation thereto.

# **ARTICLE 19**

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning By-Law of the Town of Shrewsbury relative to Section VII(B.)(7.), Rear Lots, or to take any other action in relation thereto.

# **ARTICLE 20**

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning By-Law of the Town of Shrewsbury relative to Section II, Definitions, and Section VII (G.) - Prohibited Uses, to create a definition for a Recreational Marijuana Establishment and to establish a temporary moratorium, to prohibit Recreational Marijuana Establishments, or to take any other action in relation thereto.

### **ARTICLE 21**

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning By-Law of the Town of Shrewsbury relative to Section VII (B.) Area, Frontages, Yard and Lot Coverage Requirements, or to take any other action in relation thereto.

## ARTICLE 22

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning By-Law of the Town of Shrewsbury relative to Section VII (F.)(3.) For Site Plan Approval by the Planning Board, or to take any other action in relation thereto.

To see if the Town will amend the Zoning Map for the Town of Shrewsbury by changing the zoning designation of that portion of the property show on Assessors Map 53, as Parcel 054000, which is currently zoned as Rural B to be zoned Commercial Business and in the Route 20 Overlay District, such that all of the subject property show on Assessors Map 53, as Parcel 054000 is located in the Commercial Business Zoning District and in the Route 20 Overlay District, all as shown on the Exhibit Plan as on file with the Office of the Town Clerk, or to take any other action in relation thereto.

## **ARTICLE 24**

To see if the Town will amend the Zoning Bylaw for the Town of Shrewsbury, Section VII(N) — Route 20 Overlay District, or to take any other action in relation thereto.

# **ARTICLE 25**

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept on behalf of the Town utility easements in the vicinity of the former Baker Avenue from Muzzy Avenue to Route 9 (Boston Turnpike), or to take any other action in relation thereto.

# **ARTICLE 26**

To see if the Town will vote to amend Article 1 – Representative Town Government, of the General By-Laws of the Town of Shrewsbury by deleting Section 4 therein, or to take any other action in relation thereto.

# **ARTICLE 27**

To see if the Town will vote to transfer to the Library Project bond proceeds remaining from the Sherwood Middle School and Spring Street School Projects, or to take any other action in relation thereto.

To see if the Town will vote to amend the General By-Laws of the Town of Shrewsbury by adding a new article to be entitled Article 12-D NUISANCES ON PROPERTY, or to take any other action in relation thereto.

# **ARTICLE 29**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds in the Treasury, a sum of money to be paid to the Lake Quinsigamond Commission to fund the expenses associated with the management of Lake Quinsigamond, or to take any other action in relation thereto.

### **ARTICLE 30**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds in the Treasury, a sum of money to be used to restore and make repairs to military service memorials and historical markers and related appurtenances including historical, commemorative or informational signage, or to take any other action in relation thereto.

### **ARTICLE 31**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds in the Treasury, a sum of money for the construction, reconstruction, replacement and other improvements of storm drains, connections and related appurtenances including engineering and all other related professional fees and expenses associated with the design of such improvements and any costs associated with the acquisition of land or easements, and to further authorize the Board of Selectmen to acquire land or easements in connection therewith, or to take any other action in relation thereto.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds in the Treasury, a sum of money to fund compliance activities and programs and all related expenses associated with the Town's National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit issued by the Environmental Protection Agency and/or the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection, or to take any other action in relation thereto.

### ARTICLE 33

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds in the Treasury, a sum of money into the Other Post-Employment Benefits (OPEB) Trust, or to take any other action in relation thereto.

## ARTICLE 34

To see if the Town will appropriate a sum of money to fund costs associated with compliance, mitigation, program or reporting activities related to the Water Management Act and/or the Water Management Permit issued to the Town and to determine how any such appropriation shall be raised; by borrowing, by taxation, by transfer from available funds in the Treasury, by appropriation of balance from appropriations hitherto made but not used, or otherwise, or take any other action in relation thereto.

## ARTICLE 35

To see if the Town will appropriate a sum of money to the Poor Farm Brook Habitat
Restoration Fund to be expended under the direction of the Conservation Commission and to
be used to pay costs associated with habitat improvements deemed appropriate along the Poor
Farm Brook or within the Blackstone River watershed and to determine how any such
appropriation shall be raised; by borrowing, by taxation, by transfer from available funds in the
Treasury, by appropriation of balance from appropriations hitherto made, but not used, or
otherwise, or take any other action in relation thereto.

To see if the Town will appropriate a sum of money for construction, reconstruction, replacement and other improvements of water mains, connections and related appurtenances associated with water lines located on and in the vicinity of Lake Street between Grafton Street and Route 9 (Boston Turnpike), including engineering and all other related professional fees and expenses associated with the design of this project and any costs associated with the acquisition of land or easements, and to determine how any such appropriation shall be raised; by borrowing, by taxation, by transfer from available funds in the Treasury, by appropriation of balance from appropriations hitherto made but not used, or otherwise, to authorize the application, acceptance and expenditure of a grant or grants from the Commonwealth and/or Federal Governments for this purpose and to further authorize the Board of Selectmen to acquire land or easements in connection therewith, or to take any other action in relation thereto.

# **ARTICLE 37**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds in the Treasury, a sum of money for the flushing, cleaning, rehabilitation, maintenance, pilot testing and water treatment studies and incidental repairs and improvements to the water system including new construction and related design engineering services to water mains, water treatment facilities, wells, hydrants and related water system appurtenances, or to take any other action in relation thereto.

# **ARTICLE 38**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds in the Treasury, a sum of money for the improvement of the water system, including extension, relocation and relaying of water mains and replacement or improvement of water system appurtenances, buildings and equipment and authorize the Board of Selectmen to acquire land or easements in connection therewith, or to take any other action in relation thereto

To see if the Town will appropriate a sum of money to fund an infiltration and inflow program for the sewer system which includes testing, engineering, design, permitting, repairs, construction, reconstruction, and other improvements of main drains, surface drains, common sewers, sub-drains, connections and related appurtenances and to determine how any such appropriation shall be raised; by borrowing, by taxation, by transfer from available funds in the Treasury, by appropriation of balance from appropriations hitherto made but not used, or otherwise, to authorize the application, acceptance and expenditure of a grant or grants from the Commonwealth and/or Federal Governments for this purpose, and to further authorize the Board of Sewer Commissioners, acting for and on behalf of the Town, to layout and construct, reconstruct or make other improvements to said main drains, surface drains, common sewers, sub-drains, connections and related appurtenances, acquire land or easements in connection therewith which may be authorized by Chapter 502 of the Acts of 1954, as amended, or take any other action in relation thereto.

# **ARTICLE 40**

To see if the Town will appropriate a sum of money to fund the design of a sewer connection on Route 20 (Hartford Turnpike) including the construction, reconstruction, replacement and other improvements of sewer mains and related appurtenances, and to determine how any such appropriation shall be raised; by borrowing, by taxation, by transfer from available funds in the Treasury, by appropriation of balance from appropriations hitherto made, but not used, or otherwise, and to authorize the application, acceptance and expenditure of a grant or grants from the Commonwealth and/or Federal Governments for this purpose, or take any other action in relation thereto.

To see if the Town will appropriate a sum of money to fund the construction, reconstruction, replacement and other improvements of sewer pump stations and related appurtenances, including professional fees and expenses, as may be required and to determine how any such appropriation shall be raised; by borrowing, by taxation, by transfer from available funds in the Treasury, by appropriation of balance from appropriations hitherto made, but not used, or otherwise, to authorize the application, acceptance and expenditure of a grant or grants from the Commonwealth and/or Federal Governments for this purpose, and to further authorize the Board of Sewer Commissioners, acting for and on behalf of the Town, to acquire land or easements in connection therewith which may be authorized by Chapter 502 of the Acts of 1954, as amended, or take any other action in relation thereto.

# **ARTICLE 42**

To see if the Town will appropriate a sum of money to fund costs associated with the installation, repair, replacement and other improvements to the control systems associated with various sewer pump stations and related appurtenances as may be required, including professional fees and expenses, and to determine how any such appropriation shall be raised; by borrowing, by taxation, by transfer from available funds in the Treasury, by appropriation of balance from appropriations hitherto made but not used, or otherwise, to authorize the application, acceptance and expenditure of a grant or grants from the Commonwealth and/or Federal Governments for this purpose, or take any other action in relation thereto.

# **ARTICLE 43**

To see if the Town will authorize the use of a revolving fund for the operation and maintenance of the Donahue Rowing Center under the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 44, § 53E½, or to take any other action in relation thereto.

To see if the Town will authorize the use of a revolving fund for the operation and maintenance of a bus operated by the Council on Aging under the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 44, § 53E½, or to take any other action in relation thereto.

## **ARTICLE 45**

To see if the Town will vote to amend the General By-Laws of the Town of Shrewsbury, by adding a new article to establish and authorize revolving funds for use by certain town, boards, committees, commissions, councils, departments or officers under Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 44, § 53E½, or take any other action in relation thereto.

### **ARTICLE 46**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for counseling and educational services to families, or to take any other action in relation thereto.

# **ARTICLE 47**

To see if the Town will accept a sum of money from the Municipal Light Department CATV division and appropriate said sum to the use of the Board of Assessors in fixing the tax rate for the fiscal period beginning July 1, 2017, or to take any other action in relation thereto.

### **ARTICLE 48**

To see if the Town will accept a sum of money received from the Municipal Light

Department in lieu of taxes, and appropriate said sum to the use of the Board of Assessors in

fixing the tax rate for the fiscal period beginning July 1, 2017, or to take any other action in

relation thereto.

To see if the Town will transfer from available funds in the Treasury a sum of money and appropriate said sum for the use of the Board of Assessors in fixing the tax rate for the fiscal period beginning July 1, 2017, or to take any other action in relation thereto.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting an attested copy thereof at the Municipal Office Building on Maple Avenue and at the Post Office on Boston Turnpike (Rte. 9) in said Shrewsbury seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting. Fail not and make due return on this Warrant with your doing thereon to the Town Clerk of Shrewsbury before the meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands this 16th day of March, 2017.

Worcester, ss

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN** 

Shrewsbury, Massachusetts

This is to certify that I have served the foregoing Warrant by posting an attested copy thereof at the Municipal Office Building on Maple Avenue and at the Post Office on Boston Turnpike (Rte. 9), in said Shrewsbury, as therein directed, seven days before the time of holding said meeting.

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Constable of Shrewsbury

Tuesday 1:00 an 3/21/17